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SUBJECT: THAI STUDENT GROUP CAMP-OUT HUNGER STRIKE OUTSIDE AMERICAN
EMBASSY

1. A GROUP OF FIVE THAI STUDENTS ARRIVED AT EMBASSY
ENTRANCE MARCH 13 WITH BEDDING (FOR TWO) AND OTHER CAMPING EQUIPMENT
ALONG WITH BANNERS AND SIGNS READING "USA OUT OF THAILAND,"
"HUNGER STRIKE TO PROTEST USA IMPERIALISM." DEMONSTRATORS
HAVE INFORMED PRESS THEY INTEND TO CAMP OUTSIDE THE EMBASSY
UNTIL MARCH 20. THE TIMING FOR THIS SHOW, OBVIOUSLY DICTATED BY
BANGKOK CONSIDERATIONS, COINCIDES UNCOMFORTABLY WITH EXTENDED
SUB-ZERO COLD SPELL IN STOCKHOLM.

2. EVEN STOCKHOLM'S MOST CONSERVATIVE NEWSPAPER REPRODUCED
UNCRITICALLY DEMONSTRATORS' STATEMENT THAT "THE
HUNGER STRIKE IS IN SUPPORT FOR THAIS WHO FIGHT FOR THE
FREEDOM AND NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE OF THAILAND, AND FOR
DEMOCRACY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE IN THAILAND." DEMONSTRATORS
REPORTEDLY DEMAND THAT "THE AMERICAN REGIME IMMEDIATELY RECALL
ALL AMERICAN SOLDIERS AND MILITARY ADVISERS FROM THAILAND
AND CLOSE DOWN ALL MILITARY BASES." THEY PROTEST THE
MOUNTING PERSECUTIONS OF THE THAI OPPOSITION AND CLAIM " MANY
FARM LEADERS, STUDENTS AND WORKERS HAVE BEEN MURDERED OR
ASSAULTED, AND THESE METHODS ARE INTENDED, SO THE THAI
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MILITARY REGIME HOPES, TO STOP PROTESTS AGAINST THE AMERICAN

PRESENCE IN THAILAND."

3. TWO OF THE DEMONSTRATORS ARE IDENTIFIED AS 22 YEAR OLD MISS TIPAYANG SAHASSANONT AND 21 YEAR OLD ONG-ARD KLAMPAIBOON. THEY CLAIM TO REPRESENT A SO-CALLED THAI-SCANDINAVIAN ASSOCIATION. APPARENTLY THESE TWO ARE "HUNGER-STRIKERS" AND THE OTHERS ARE ONLY PART-TIME COMPANIONS.

4. ACCORDING TO THAI EMBASSY, DEMONSTRATORS COME FROM VERY SMALL FACTION OF LEFTISTS AMONG THAI STUDENTS RESIDENT IN SWEDEN.

5. ORIGINAL ENCAMPMENT LEFT DEMONSTRATORS SLEEPING UNDER OUTDOOR STAIRWELL LEADING FROM STREET UP ROCK FACE TO EMBASSY DOOR. BEGINNING MONDAY, POLICE VOLUNTARILY REMEMBERED STOCKHOLM ORDINANCE PROHIBITING STATIONARY DEMONSTRATION CLOSER THAN THIRTY METERS FROM EMBASSY PROPERTY AND INDUCED DEMONSTRATORS TO MOVE THEIR CAMP TO TRAFFIC ISLAND AND PARKING AREA ABOUT 100 FEET FROM EMBASSY STAIRWAY.

6. PUBLIC NOTICE OF DEMONSTRATORS IS MINIMAL.
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